

**THE EVENING STAR.**  
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**THE EVENING STAR** has a regular and constant circulation in Washington, and is the largest newspaper in the city. As a local NEWS paper and Advertising Medium it has no competitor.

Unexpected, and therefore the more forcible, is the argument advanced by the New York World in discussing that threadbare proposition, that "to the victors belong the spoils." Calmly, and yet with vigor, it opposes the idea that the people of the United States are as much concerned in a change of office as they are in a change of governmental policy. After stating that the practice of changing the whole body of public servants with every turn in election is not the policy of all parties in all governments, the World holds that "all offices having a direct relation to the policy of the party in power should be filled with adherents of that party, fitted by character and capacity to perform the duties required. All subordinate positions, requiring mainly routine work, should be filled by men selected for their fitness for the work to be done and retained for their fidelity and skill. The offices are the business agencies of the people. They should be conducted on business principles. It is not 'good business' to rotate through the public offices every four years a new procession of greenhorns, appointed because they are useful to some political boss. No private business could prosper under such a policy. Neither is it good policy to demoralize the public business simply to gratify one out of ten partisans who are hungry for office. No man has any claim to public employment except such as is founded on superior merit. Certainly the 'rascals must go' and the office-holders must be changed. But let not the democracy practice the abuses it has condemned nor ignore the promises it has made."

These sound and sensible utterances are calculated to develop heart disease among practical politicians, who have been led to look to the World for a different sort of sentiment. The application of business principles to the conduct of governmental affairs is something for which the Star has always contended. The World is heartily welcomed into the fold of civil service reform.

Moved by circumstances that are truly depressing and emboldened by the political efforts of his fellow-agriculturists in this country, the English farmer is beginning to assert himself and to demand many things which should never have been out of his possession. Few classes have suffered so long or so patiently as the agricultural section of Great Britain's population. Born into the midst of conditions created by those who through foolishness or unconcern were the oppressors of all not regarded as socially equal, the English and Welsh farmers have struggled uncomplainingly with worn-out soil, exorbitant rents and landlessness in its worst phases until it has become evident even to the stolid and long-suffering British peasant intellect that agitation and action are absolutely necessary. Conscious of the rightness of their cause and urged onward by financial pressure the yeomen have asked a conference with representatives of the land-owning class, and when that body meets will present for its consideration a carefully prepared measure in which the free sale of improvements, fixity of tenure and a land court to establish fair rents will be the leading features. None of the propositions advanced are in any sense unreasonable, but this fact will be by no means plain to the landlords, who as a rule have an unenviable record for obtuseness. Something more than argument will be needed, and this something is likely to make its appearance with the farmers' party—for there is such a party in England, just as surely as there is in Kansas—joins hands with the radicals. Parliament may incline toward delay and propose the appointment of an agricultural commission, but the probabilities are that the government will be compelled to legislate in the immediate future on one or two of the most important points. It is quite likely that within a year or so agricultural rents in the island will move on a sliding scale, with a fixed ratio between the amount paid and the market value of the soil's products.

Speaker Crisp had better beware. There is trouble ahead and afoot. The ever-accurate *Baltimore American* says: "One Roger Q. Mills of Connecticut, Tex., now a United States Senator, has whittled his knife for a twelve-month for the scalp of one Charles Frederick Crisp of America, Ga., and it looks as though there might be a felix hanging at his belt when the smoke of the battle has cleared away." The metaphorical reference to Mr. Crisp's early life is not entirely unjustified, but Senator Mills is so extremely savage as to desire one of Mr. Crisp's valuable fetlocks? This problem is especially referred to the *American's* horse editor.

There are people whose minds were unbalanced by the alleged possibility of a collision between this earth and the comet. The grown person who delights in terrifying children with the bogey man is regarded as unfit for responsibility. Public sentiment does not as yet appear to have reached the astronomer who makes use of his presumably superior knowledge to mystify and frighten people whose mental equipment is not up to standard.

"From the present outlook every community in the country is in danger of being dominated by contentions growing out of the aspirations of Tom, Dick and Harry to attain office."—*Chicago News Record*.

Yes, yes; we know all about Tom Johnson and Dick Croker, but who on earth is Harry?

Americans who delight in American supremacy of all kinds will be delighted to be told that there is greater heat and more meteorological discomfort in the Death Valley of California than has ever been known in the hottest portions of India or even in the desert of Sahara. This is a great country.

The monetary conference forfeits all chance of accomplishing satisfactory results when a spirit of narrowness obtrudes itself in the discussions. No opinion should be so obstinate as to make impossible the prime purpose of the conference—the adapting of individual methods to mutual interests.

Mr. Whitney's services to Mr. Cleveland did not end with the successful close of his work as campaign manager. He is now assisting him as a glittering example to democrats of a man who does not want an office.

The slightest things that Mr. Cleveland does are now eagerly placed before newspaper readers as matters of interest. The things that he does not may command an even greater share of attention later on.

Cleveland may have thought he was getting away from the office seeker when he went to Breadwater Island, but it's dollars to coppers that the light house keeper makes himself solid.

A masked highwayman is terrorizing a section of Chicago. When the world's fair opens he will probably take off his mask and drive a hack or open a lunch room.

Things are rapidly changing such shape that no interview with Bismarck will be considered complete unless followed promptly by the chancellor's repudiation.

If democratic spellbinders had promised less during the campaign, democratic leaders would not have to do so much thinking now.

It appears to be quite as difficult to make predictions concerning comets as it is to forecast political results.

Mystic Shiner at Albany use a live camel in their ceremonies. Is this a blow at the goat industry?

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The older the custom grows the further we drift from the senses—the nearer to the useful. That which keeps the donor most in mind is the best messenger to send.

After you have thought—and thought—and thought you had better make up your mind on HANDKERCHIEFS. They will be welcome everywhere. Such popular gifts have they become that the makers have designed some especially attractive patterns. Qualities and effects that folks would not buy for themselves—too fine or too elaborate. But possession would be a pleasure—and to know you sent them would make them doubly so.

We have gotten the "beauties" together—all of them—from a MUZZLER to a dainty LACE. No man has any "claim" to public employment except such as is founded on superior merit. Certainly the "rascals must go" and the office-holders must be changed. But let not the democracy practice the abuses it has condemned nor ignore the promises it has made."

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